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To: Supervisor Lee Holloway, Chairman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Richard Schmidt, Inspector, Office of the Sheriff, Milwaukee County

Subject: **Request to Execute a Contract with Government Payment Services, Inc. for the use of credit and debit cards for payment of bail and citations by citizens to the Office of the Sheriff**

The Sheriff is requesting referral to proper board committee for review and disposition, authorization to execute a contract with Government Payment Services, Inc. for the use of credit and debit cards for payment of bails and citations at a variety of locations within the Office of the Sheriff.

Background

The Office of the Sheriff originally entered into a contract with Government Payment Services, Inc. in 2003 for the ability to accept credit and debit cards for bail payments. Possessing the ability to accept debit and credit cards allows people to bail out of the custody faster. The contract has expired and the Sheriff would like to enter into a new agreement with the company.

Currently, there are web-based machines from Government Payment Services, Inc. located at the cashier stations in the Criminal Justice Facility. Under the terms of the new contract, additional machines will be added at the County Correctional Facility-South, General Mitchell Airport and the Sub-station on the County Grounds.

Fee Schedule

The following table shows the proposed fees by Government Payment Services, Inc. The proposed fee for bail payments is 6%. The fee in the prior agreement for bail payments

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averaged 8.35%. The Office of the Sheriff is attempting to negotiate a lower fee for the payments.

Type of Payment	Transaction Range	Via Web/Gov \$Swipe Machines	Via Call Center/Live agent
Bail payments		6.0%	6.0%
Bail-Related Payments		3.5% Minimum = \$3.50	5.0% Minimum = \$5.00
Citations	\$0.01-\$50.00	\$1.50	\$5.50
Citations	\$50.01-\$75.00	\$1.75	\$5.75
Citations	\$75.01-\$100.00	\$3.00	\$7.00
Citations	\$100.01-\$150.00	\$5.00	\$9.00
Citations	\$150.01-\$200.00	\$7.00	\$11.00
Citations	\$200.01 & up	\$1.75 for \$50.00	\$1.75 for \$50.00

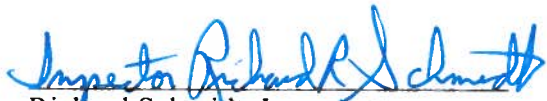
Terms of Agreement

The contract term is for a one year period with four one year automatic renewals unless terminated earlier.

Recommendation

It is requested that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approve the Sheriff's request to execute a contract with Government Payment Services, Inc. to provide for credit and debit card payments for bails and citations at a variety of locations within the Office of the Sheriff.

Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal impact to the County due to the fee collected being retained by Government Payment Services, Inc. The ease of payment for bail and citations may result in increased revenues to the Office of the Sheriff.


 Richard Schmidt, Inspector
 Milwaukee County Office of the Sheriff

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